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TO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, VS

SUBJ: FPJMT LIAISON FLIGHTS

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1. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE COMPREHENSIVE REPORTING AND ANALYSIS PROVIDED BY REFTEL AND PREVIOUS MESSAGES ON THE SUBJECT OF LIAISON FLIGHTS.

2. STATE AND DOD AGREE WITH COMMENT REFTEL THAT
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PROLONGED SUSPENSION OF LIAISON FLIGHTS SERVES TO PROVIDE

THE DRV WITH ADDITIONAL PRETEXT FOR ITS STALLING IN
FPJMT. WE ALSO AGREE THAT A WAY OUT OF THE IMPASSE
SHOULD BE FOUND WHICH IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE DRV BUT DOES
NOT REPEAT NOT UNDERMINE OUR CREDIBILITY.

3. ONE POSSIBILITY IS A ONE-TIME WRITTEN ASSURANCE FROM
DRV AS PER REFTTEL. ANOTHER THAT OCCURS TO US IS THE
ISSUANCE OF TICKET (OR OTHER WRITTEN DOCUMENT) AS ROUTINE
PART OF BOARDING FOR MANIFESTED PASSENGERS. ON THE
REVERSE SIDE OF THIS BOARDING DOCUMENT WOULD BE STATEMENT
TO EFFECT THAT U.S. IS OPERATING FLIGHT IN ACCORDANCE
WITH STANDARD, UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTED AVIATION SAFETY
PROCEDURES WHICH PROHIBIT PASSENGERS FROM HAVING FIREARMS,
INCENDIARY MATERIALS OR OTHER HAZARDOUS ITEMS IN THEIR

PERSONAL BAGGAGE OR CARGO. SUCH DOCUMENT, IN OUR VIEW,
WOULD CONSTITUTE SUFFICIENT ACCEPTANCE BY THE PASSENGER
OF HIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR PURPOSES, AND WOULD NOT
REQUIRE SIGNATURE.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER THOUGHTS EMBASSY AND
CH FPJMT HAVE ON SUBJECT. WE RECOMMEND THAT
ALTERNATIVES SUCH AS THOSE DESCRIBED ABOVE OR OTHERS
DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY EMBASSY AND CH FPJMT BE TAKEN UP
BILATERALLY WITH THE DRV AT YOUR DISCRETION. RUSH

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